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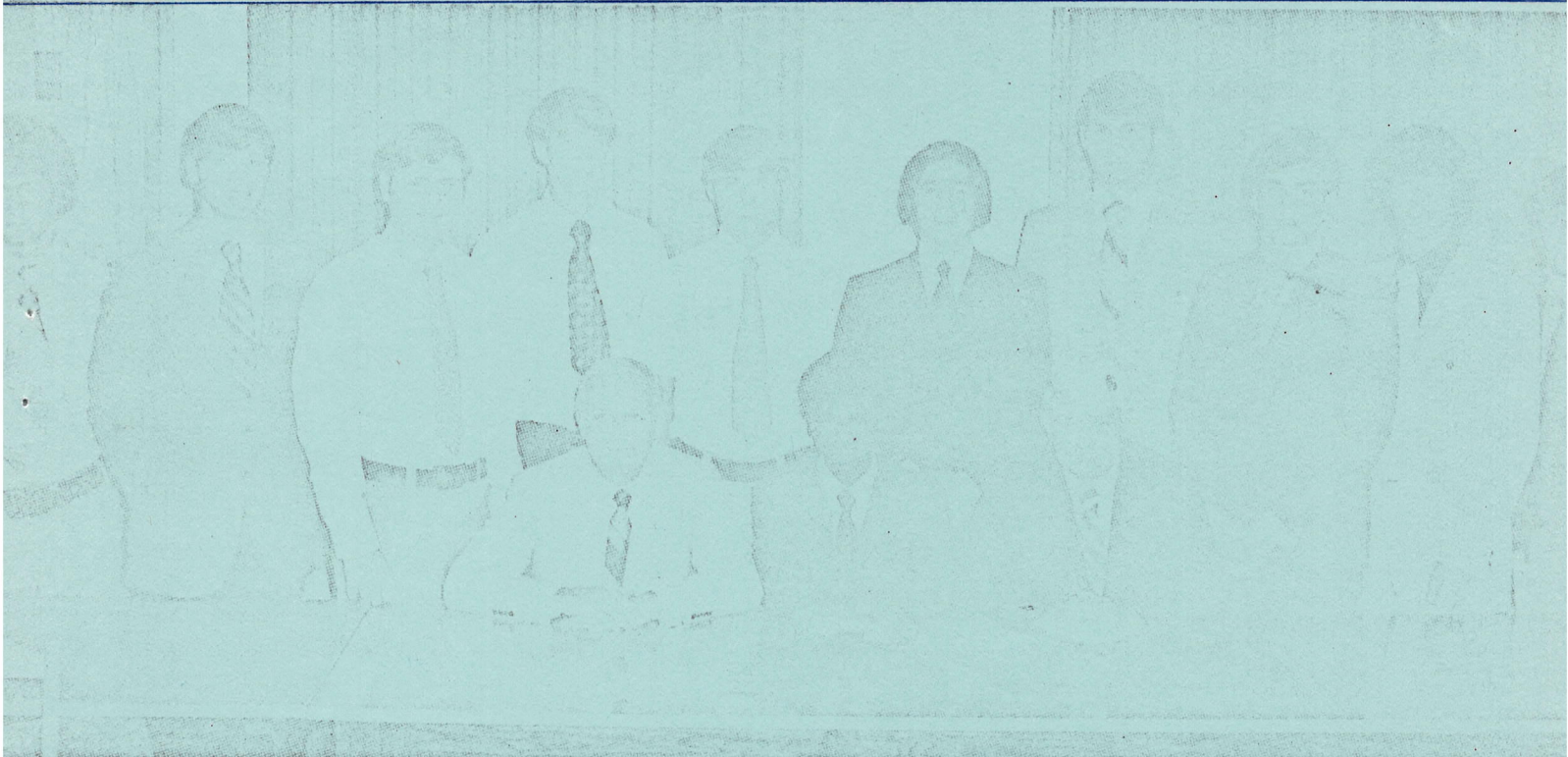


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Standing behind Governors Moore and Hill and Commander Siehl are Judges Harman, Beard, Jessee, Shaffer and Miller, Auditor McCarus, Treasurer Underwood, Agriculture Commissioner Taylor, Secretary of State Pearman and School Superintendent Collins.

UMPIRE BAITERS ARE RIDDING THEMSELVES OF FRUSTRATIONS

Echoing Governor Moore's dinner comment that full comprehension of "this moment" in the lives of Boys' Staters will not be fully realized for awhile, the Thursday night assembly speaker, Robert L. Rine, predicted that experiences this week at Jackson's Mill will influence Boys' Staters throughout their lives.

He quoted a maxim, "Life leaps like a geyser for those who drill through the rock of inertia."

At Boys' State, he said, "you get the tools to drill through the rock of inertia and you get a glance of the life that is ahead of you."

Speaker Is Umpire

Rine is special representative in public relations for Weirton Steel Co., a former newspaper man and a once very active umpire who still umpires ballgames.

He has a high regard for umpires and his topic last night was, "You Can't Kill the Umpire."

He also told Boys' Staters "why you shouldn't want to kill the umpire."

Only the inferior ball players "get on" umpires, declared Rine, explaining that the champions never do.

Likewise, he explained, it is only the frustrated, maladjusted persons in the bleachers who shout, "Kill the umpire!" or "Throw the bum out."

This "perfect example of man's inhumanity to man" comes from a vicious, vocal minority which "uses the umpire for a scapegoat. Umpire-baiters have no peace of soul. All is not right with them."

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BOYS' STATERS GIVE MOORE WARM WELCOME

A pouring rainstorm Thursday afternoon prevented Mountaineer Boys' Staters from parading in review for West Virginia Gov. Arch A. Moore, Jr., although the boys were willing and some even insistent upon marching to honor the governor, who was warmly received at Jackson's Mill.

Prevented from marching, out of consideration for their health, Boys' Staters lined up for autographs, each of which was personalized by Governor Moore, although it delayed his departure beyond his scheduled time for leaving.

The rainstorm changed the plan for Governor Moore to land at Jackson's Mill, address an assembly at 3:45 p.m., be honored with a review, and fly off again at 5p.m., not remaining for dinner.

The grounds were too soft for plane-landing here, which delayed his arrival, so he remained for dinner and then spoke, receiving a resounding ovation from the 371 Boys' Staters.

Wearing a bright yellow sports coat, Governor Moore was received at headquarters by the Boys' State Board of Public Works and robed Supreme Court judges.

He autographed their Blue Books and then Blue Books of all other Boys' Staters until forced to break off for dinner. The rest of the boys had their books autographed after dinner before State Police escorted Governor Moore back to Clarksburg to his plane.

Three Ways To Meet Life

In his after-dinner address, Governor Moore told Boys' Staters that they are having "a rare moment in your young lives. The full comprehension of the moment that it is will not come for awhile. Your experience here will go with you the rest of your lives."

In being Boys' Staters, warned the governor "you are identified as the type of guys people can put their trust in and the type of guys who, wherever you go, will be tapped for more and more."

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He told the young men that they could meet life by not using their best talents and just letting things stagnate as they are, or they could "pull out all stops. But to do this, you really have to put yourself into it! You can be whatever you want to be.

"If a guy like myself can be governor of the great state of West Virginia, then any of you here at Boys' State can be governor of West Virginia."

The governor mentioned a third way to meet life, and that is to believe it when people say that this is a sick nation and sick world, and that the only thing you can do about it is to tear it all down, with no assurance of what is to be put in its place.

West Virginia Blessed

"Boys' Staters," he declared, "are the future leaders of our great state of West Virginia. Don't let anybody tell you that we in West Virginia have more than our share of problems," he urged.

"In many true values, including faith and character, we have more than our share of blessings.

"I happen to believe that we're different. We're mountain people in a mountain land, and we have great faith and character."

A point at hand to prove that West Virginia does not lag, he mentioned, is that Mountaineer Boys' State was the second one started in the nation. "This will give you some idea of the vitality of our American Legion in this state."

'Silent Generation'

In a plea for the new generation to accept and understand the generation before them, Governor Moore explained, "My generation has been called the silent generation. We came out of the Depression into World War II and out of World War II into a world in which nations hated each other, and then into Korea.

My generation did not have an easy lot, and we recognize that your generation does not have an easy lot.

"We were scared. A nation had gone up in flames economically. You are not afraid because you are more secure. We were afraid even to love each other. You find this easy. You accept your peers for what the guys are.

"We have not given you a perfect world, but we have tried to change it to meet your requirements."

"Your generation is the most challenging we've ever had. You challenge us to move forward. My generation needs your generation. I believe that your generation needs my generation, too."

Introduced by Siehl

Governor Moore was introduced by Department Commander George D. Siehl of Fayetteville, who touched upon the governor's education at West Virginia University, starting law practice in 1951, and political rise to U.S. representative and now governor.

He characterized him as having a love of people and a reputation for tenacity, but concluded with a different tribute, "We claim him as a Legionnaire."

Moore, he said, was a World War II combat sergeant in Europe and was left for dead on a battlefield after a machine gun bullet entered the right side of his face, tore through his tongue and went out the left

NINE BOYS' STATERS SERVE ON STATE EDUCATION BOARD

The first member named to the Boys' State Board of Education by Gov. Steve Hill was Daniel T. McCutcheon of Parkersburg (Calhoun), the losing Nationalist candidate for governor.

Others on the nine-member board are Thomas L. Sipers of Spring Dale (Panhandle); Thomas W. Whitehouse of Wheeling (Webster); John J. Polcari of Charleston (Marion); Tim McCartney of Cox's Mill (Marion); Richard C. Romano of Clarksburg (Monongalia); Robert Reber of Parkersburg (Randolph); David Harman of Petersburg (Monroe), and Paul Edward Parker II of Fairmont (Monroe).

Parker was appointed to take the place of Mike Pearman of Huntington (Monroe) who was named by Governor Hill before a recount showed Pearman had won his race for secretary of state.

QUOTATION FOR BOYS' STATERS

"When you think and work together, there is nothing that cannot be accomplished."-- Daniel B. Taylor, State Superintendent of Schools at 1972 Boys' State.

UMPIRE BATTERS

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They are sick emotionally. To yell at the umpire feeds their ego and helps rid them of their frustrations."

Quoting Sidney Harris, newspaper columnist, Rine said there are two kinds of persons who go to ballgames, one to see sports competition with the best team winning, and the other to find a vicarious outlet "for their own frustrations and blood lust."

Umpires Love Their Jobs

An umpire, said Rine, has to love his profession to be able to tolerate the harassment from the bleachers.

"You can't kill the umpire," said Rine, "because he is authority. He is the man who knows. He will not only endure, he will prevail."

Umpires love their profession, he said, because they know they are among the select few who can walk out on a field and make split second decisions, as a highly skilled surgeon or politician must do.

He also has pride of achievement. He doesn't expect admiration but he does look for respect.

Moreover, smiled Rine, "you can't beat the hours!"

Will Rogers once said, recalled Rine, that he never met a man he couldn't like. Rine declared that he never met an umpire that he didn't like, adding that he's known a lot. He used to travel with George Barr and went to Tokyo with him.

Rine recited "Casey at the Bat" for the Boys' Staters.

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side of his face.

"He had to learn to talk again after the medics patched him up," said Commander Siehl, who jovially added that Moore's political opponents "would like to find those medics who fixed him up so he could talk again!"

SPORTS

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

1:00-2:30	Track Meet,
2:30	Baseball All-Star Game
3:30	Basketball All-Star Game
6:15	Citizens Vs Staff Basketball Game

TEAM STANDINGS

		W	L
Monroe	N	5	0
Gilmer		6	1
Panhandle	N	6	1
Monroe	F	3	1
Lewis	N	7	2
Kanawha	F	6	2
Marion	F	4	2
Braxton	F	6	4
Panhandle	F	4	3
Webster		3½	3
Randolph		3	3
Monongalia		2	2
Braxton		2	5
Kanawha	N	2	5
Marion	N	1½	4
Barbour		1	4
Lewis	F	2	6
Upshur	F	1	5
Upshur	N	0	5
Calhoun		0	5

COTTAGE STANDINGS

		W	L
Monroe		8	1
Gilmer		6	1
Panhandle		10	4
Lewis		9	8
Kanawha		8	7
Webster		3½	3
Randolph		3	3
Monongalia		2	2
Marion		5½	6
Braxton		8	9
Barbour		1	4
Upshur		1	10
Calhoun		0	5

TWO SENATORS OMITTED

In The Mountaineer's listing of Boys' State Senators yesterday, the Marion County Senators were unintentionally omitted. They are Ron Stollings of Danville and Mark Hatfield of Welch, both Nationalists.

Another error was listing the home town of Agriculture Commissioner Timothy Thomas Taylor as Paden City. Taylor is from Masontown, not Paden City.

GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS AVAILABLE

Leo Gardner, professional photographer of Charleston, is taking group photos of 1972 Mountaineer Boys' Staters.

Glossy prints of the group pictures are available to any Boys' Stater for \$1.50 each. They can be seen and bought at GHQ (Harrison).

RAIN CURTAILS SPORTS By Charlie Chambers

Sports competition in the fourth day of sports Thursday was held down by rain showers with many scheduled games called off.

Softball

In the softball games played Thursday, Marion F edged Randolph 1-0. At one point, Randolph had the bases loaded with no outs, but was unable to score. Barbour defeated Upshur N 8-5. Lewis N also scored eight runs in defeating Marion N 8-1. In the final game, Panhandle N got by Braxton F 2-0.

Volleyball

Four teams played volleyball games Thursday, with Kanawha N taking two of three games from Braxton F.

The scores of these games, with Kanawha taking the first two, were 15-13 and 10-6, and, with Braxton taking the last one, 10-7.

Basketball

In the only basketball game played Thursday Monroe N defeated cabin counterparts, Monroe F, 23-21.

THURSDAY SOFTBALL SCORES

Marion	F	1	Randolph	0
Barbour		8	Upshur N	5
Lewis	N	8	Marion N	1
Panhandle	N	2	Braxton F	0

THURSDAY VOLLEYBALL SCORES

Kanawha	N	15	Braxton F	13
Kanawha	N	10	Braxton F	6
Braxton	F	10	Kanawha N	7
Kanawha	F	15	Lewis F	7
Kanawha	F	14	Lewis F	9

THURSDAY BASKETBALL SCORE

Monroe	N	23	Monroe F	21
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21 BOYS' STATERS ARE SERVING AS COUNTY ATHLETIC DIRECTORS By Greg Harr

Twenty-one Boys' Staters are serving as county athletic directors to supplement staff leadership of John A. Giles of St. Albans, athletic director, and his three Charleston assistants, Kevin Merchant, Augustine Mazzei and John Cavacini.

The county directors are:

BARBOUR, John Vdovjak; BRAXTON F, Junior Taylor; BRAXTON N, Calvin Moore; CALHOUN, Lew Shields; GILMER, Chris Erichsen; KANAWHA N, Paul Hermeling; KANAWHA F, John Brinegar; LEWIS N, John Songer; LEWIS F, Rocky Nash; MARION F, Dennis Jenkins; MARION N, Richard Dunbar; MONONGALIA, Marc Steinman; MONROE F, Joe Empson; MONROE N, Mike Pearman; PANHANDLE F, Ronnie Garrett; PANHANDLE N, Dan Underwood; RANDOLPH, Fred Miller; UPSHUR F, Dan Deaton; UPSHUR N, Joe Dean; WEBSTER F, Mike Plasterr; WEBSTER N, Dennis Boyden

THE AMERICAN LEGION MOUNTAINEER BOYS' STATE
Jackson's Mill, Weston, W. Va., June 18-24, 1972

Schedule of Activities

DAILY THROUGHOUT WEEK

6:30 a.m. Reveille and clean quarters
7:20 a.m. Flag Raising
7:25 a.m. Breakfast

Boys' Staters are encouraged to use free time to visit the Mill, the gardens, the Stonewall Jackson Museum, the Chapel and other places on the grounds.

In case of accident or illness, report to Health Center beside headquarters.

FRIDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:20 All city, county officers, minor courts, prosecutors and citizens at work in respective jurisdictions. Minor trials, ordinances, budgets, jury duty and other local administrative units at work on problems and business.

8:20 Board of Public Works in conference with Governor on appointments, adjustments in the budget to meet new legislation, conduct of departments.

8:20 Senate (Rural Electric Left) and House of Delegates (West Virginia Building) in session:

8:20 State Police in operation as a department.

10:00 Formal review. Form at Dining Hall. Dress: Boys' State T-Shirts and long trousers.

Following review, resume above activities.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SCHEDULE

12:15 Lunch -- Remarks by Edgar F. "Hike" Heiskell, West Virginia Commissioner of Workmen's Compensation Fund and Republican candidate for Secretary of State. Introduced by Martin Mansperger.

1:15-5:00 State Police organized and working.

1:15-5:00 Band and music instruction and practice at Assembly Hall.

1:15-5:00 Recreation schedule arranged and posted daily. Watch for time of contest for your county. Recreation counselors will watch for possible conflicts with requirements of the courts and other official duties.

5:15-5:25 Retreat

5:30 Dinner

8:00-10:45 Assembly. Lecture by Dr. William L. Larcamp, Union Carbide, Director of Research. Introduced by Harry Slaughter.

10:45 Taps

11:30 Lights out